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Subject: just order Microsoft to do three things.

The antitrust issue is basically about two questions:

1. What should be in an operating system and what shouldn't?
2. If it should be in an operating system, where should it be in there?

Ad 1.

Internet Browsers, E-mail handlers, Word Processors, Image manipulators, Speech recognizers are no part of an operating system. These are applications.

The OS is the necessary software between applications and the hardware. No less, no more.

So in reverse: if it's an application, it's not a (part of an) operating system.

Ad 2.

Printerdrivers should be stored and found in a folder: printerdrivers

Videodrivrs should be stored and found in a folder: videodrivrs

fonts should be stored and found in a folder: fonts

etc etc etc.

Windows hides almost everything in places nobody can reach. The structure of Windows is violating free enterprise.

So the anti trust regulations should be:

- A. Order Microsoft go offer Windows as an OS only, and define the OS as mentioned above.
- B. Order to create a Microsoft OS company and a Microsoft applications company, with a Chinese Wall between those two.
- C. Order the OS company to restructure its OS in a way that it will show a clear structure for everyone, including non-microsoft application software creators.

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